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INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF UREA
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the prices of Urea have increased recently;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and justification thereof; and

(c) the details of its impact on farmers, specially on marginal farmers?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The maximum retail price of urea was increased from Rs. 4600 per tonne to Rs. 4830 per tonne w.e.f. 28.2.2002.

(b) The prices were increased after careful consideration of all aspects pertaining to fiscal sustainability and balanced nutrient application.

(c) The price increase will have a marginal impact on cost of cultivation for farmers including marginal farmers.